

## House Resolution 685

By: Representative Epps of the 128<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Rochell Federated Club; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Rochell Federated Club was first founded as a savings club for local  
3 women, and its members took turns hosting club meetings in their homes; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the lovely ladies of this distinguished club sincerely enjoyed each other's  
5 company and decided to work together toward federating the club; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the ladies rolled up their sleeves and went fishing, catching, preparing, and  
7 selling delicious fish meals until they had enough money saved to send their then president,  
8 Mrs. Lucy Dozier, to the state convention held on June 17, 1940; and
- 9 WHEREAS, living by their motto "Lifting as we climb," club members are dedicated to  
10 helping those in need and generously donate to scholarship funds, heart funds, the United  
11 Way, cancer funds, the Red Cross, the NAACP, and other worthwhile causes; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in 2003, the club made history at the state convention in Dublin, Georgia, when  
13 its distinguished president, Mrs. Vee Griggs, won the Presidents March and the Club Woman  
14 of the Year awards, and Ms. Virginia Burton, an active and talented club member, not only  
15 placed first in the arts and crafts competition but also walked away with second and third  
16 prizes too; and
- 17 WHEREAS, this amazing duo repeated their impressive performance at the 2004 convention  
18 held in Milledgeville, capturing the Presidents March award and first through third places in  
19 arts and crafts for a second time to the jubilation of the Rochell Federated Club; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the Rochell Club has the honor of hosting the State Convention of Georgia  
21 Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc., in June of 2005, and it is only proper that this

1 body recognize the many contributions of these wonderful ladies on this very special  
2 occasion.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
4 the members of this body join in recognizing the Rochell Federated Club and commend its  
5 members for their outstanding dedication to improving the quality of life for their fellow  
6 citizens.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Rochell Federated Club.